

## Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council

## Coalition of Advocates for Utah Survivors' Empowerment

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#### **Coalition Type**

Domestic violence

#### **Year Formed**

1978

#### **Year Incorporated**

1993

#### **Staff**

No full-time-equivalent staff members

#### **Fiscal Year**

October 1994 - September 1995

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### **Coalition Type**

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Sexual assault

#### **Year Formed**

1996

#### **Year Incorporated**

1996

#### **Staff**

1 full-time-equivalent staff member

#### **Fiscal Year**

January 1996 - December 1996

## **Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council**

#### **Member Programs and Services**

The Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council reported that there were 15 domestic violence programs in operation across the state of Utah in fiscal year 1994-95. Thirteen of these programs operate on-site shelter facilities, 10 of the 15 reported themselves to be members of the state's domestic violence coalition, the Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council.

The domestic violence services offered by the 10 member programs are profiled in exhibit 1. All member programs manage a domestic violence hotline and operate on-site shelters for abused women and their children. They also offer elementary and high school education programs, community education and/or speakers bureau services, and training for professionals. Less abundant services are college and university education programs and treatment/rehabilitation programs for batterers.

A few coalitions have developed specific service components to meet the needs of Hispanic and Native American populations in Utah.

Exhibit 1. Number of coalition member programs (N=10) offering various domestic violence services	
Number of <u>programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
10	Independently run domestic violence hotline
10	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
9	Support group for women
8	Legal advocacy program
8	Medical advocacy program
7	Specific support program for sheltered children
7	Services for non-sheltered children
10	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
3	Education programs in colleges or universities
10	Community education/speakers bureau
10	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
4	Transitional/second-stage housing
1	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
0	Other services

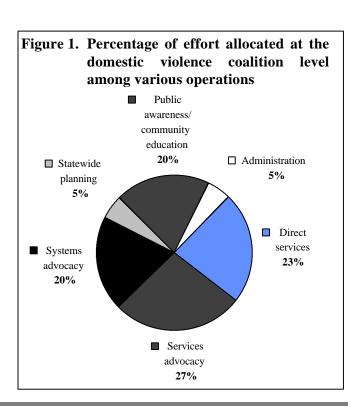
Three of the 10 member programs are dual programs that offer sexual assault-related services in conjunction with their domestic violence services. Exhibit 2 outlines the sexual assault-related services offered by these three programs. Although the dual programs offer both types of services, all three programs reported focusing the majority of their efforts (60 to 80 percent) on domestic violence rather than sexual assault.

Exhibit 2.	Number of coalition member programs (N=3)
	offering various sexual assault services

Number of programs	<u>Service</u>
2	Independently run sexual assault hotline
3	One-on-one counseling
3	Support group for adult women
2	Support group for teenage girls
1	Support group for male victims
0	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
0	Secondary support group for spouses/partners of victims
1	Secondary support group for parents of victims
3	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
3	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
2	Legal advocacy program
3	Medical advocacy program
3	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
2	Education programs in colleges or universities
3	Community education/speakers bureau
2	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
3	Technical assistance
0	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
1	Other services (self-protection program emphasizing self-esteem and self defense methods)

# **Domestic Violence Coalition Operations**

In fiscal year 1994-95 the Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council divided its efforts almost evenly among four different types of operations (figure 1). Direct services, services advocacy, systems advocacy and public awareness/community education operations each took up 20 to 27 percent of the coalition's resources. Statewide planning and coalition administration each commanded 5 percent of the staff's attention.



#### **Special Projects of the Domestic Violence Coalition**

The Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council launched four special programs during the 1994-95 fiscal year. A description of each project, its purpose, and its funding source are outlined below.

#### "No Excuse for Abuse" Campaign

Description: The coalition distributed materials such as billboards, posters, brochures,

banners, and plackets. They also made radio public service announcements

and gave television interviews.

Purpose: Public awareness/community education

Funding source: Federal funding

#### **Shelter Brochure Campaign**

Description: This project involved the distribution of \$300 to each shelter in the state for

printing of local brochures.

Purpose: Direct services
Funding source: Federal funding

#### **Resource Centers**

Description: The coalition developed four resource centers across the state.

Purpose: Services advocacy
Funding Source: Federal funding

#### **Local Coalition Development and Training**

Description: The state coalition fostered the development of 20 local coalitions covering

all counties across the state.

Purpose: Systems advocacy
Funding Source: Federal funding

## **Domestic Violence Coalition Funding**

The Utah Domestic Violence Advisory council received all its funding from a federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state coalition grant. When the Utah state domestic violence coalition budget for fiscal year 1994-95 is compared to the budgets of other domestic violence coalitions across the United States, the Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council falls into the lowest quartile (\$70,000 and less).

#### **Federal and State Funding**

As previously mentioned, the sole source of governmental funding for the Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council was a federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state coalition grant. The coalition received no funding from its home state.

Exhibit 3. Sources of government funding reported by the Utah Domestic Advisory Council		
Direct federal funding	State funding or state-administered federal funding	
<ul> <li>Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state coalitions</li> <li>grant</li> </ul>	None	

#### **Nongovernmental Funding Sources**

The Utah Domestic Violence Advisory Council did not acquire any nongovernmental funds during the 1994-95 fiscal year.

#### **Funds Passed to Local Programs**

The coalition passed about 9 percent of its budget to its member programs. The remaining money was kept by the coalition for the purpose of supporting its internal work, including office administration, operating expenses, and special projects.

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When researchers were collecting data for this inventory, Utah was just beginning the process of forming an official sexual assault coalition. The Rape Recovery Center in Salt Lake City had recently acquired funds under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and started the process of organizing the Coalition of Advocates for Utah Survivors' Empowerment (CAUSE), a network of intervention service programs advocating sexual assault survivors. At the same time, the Coalition Coordinator had begun the process of obtaining incorporation status. When researchers called on the newly-formed coalition later, it was found that the coalition was indeed a reality. Although CAUSE was still in the formative stages and had not yet recruited member programs, it was able to provide some information about its funding and the activities it had undertaken thus far. Please keep in mind that CAUSE reported for its 1996 fiscal year, which had not been completed at the time this report was written. Some of the information provided represents projections and anticipated activities for the remainder of the fiscal year.

## **Sexual Assault Coalition Operations**

In fiscal year 1996, CAUSE reserved all of its efforts exclusively for administrative purposes involving the actual formation and organization of this brand new coalition.

### **Special Projects of the Sexual Assault Coalition**

The coalition had not yet initiated any special projects.

### **Sexual Assault Coalition Funding**

The funding for CAUSE's first year fell in the second quartile of the funding range (\$7,001 to \$75,000) when compared to other sexual assault coalitions participating in this inventory. For its 1996 fiscal year, the only source of funding came from the state government, with no funds received from federal or nongovernmental sources.

#### **Federal and State Funding**

As previously mentioned, the only source of funding for CAUSE came directly from a Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant administered by the state of Utah (exhibit 4).

Exhibit 4. Sources of government funding reported by the Coalition of Advocates for Utah Survivor's Empowerment	
Direct federal funding	State funding or state-administered <u>federal funding</u>
None	<ul> <li>Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)</li> </ul>

#### **Nongovernmental Funding Sources**

CAUSE did not garner any funds from nongovernmental sources in fiscal year 1996.

#### **Funds Passed to Local Programs**

As CAUSE did not at the time contacted have any official member programs, it did not pass funding to them.

## **Utah State Government Agencies**

Two state government agencies allocated funding for violence against women prevention and programming. Both agencies distributed domestic violence funds. Only one agency provided funds to support the fight against sexual assault.

## Department of Community and Economic Development, Fiscal year: July 1994-June 1995 Community Development Division

The Department of Community and Economic Development, Community Development Division distributes \$600,000 to \$700,000 a year in Homeless Trust Fund monies. These dollars are raised through (1) general funds appropriated by the state legislature (about \$500,000 to \$600,000 annually) and (2) tax contributions through a state income tax check-off. These monies are distributed to a network of nonprofit homeless providers throughout Utah, including several domestic violence shelters. In fiscal year 1994-95 the Community Development Division allocated \$98,000 in Homeless Trust Fund monies to local programs that primarily serve domestic violence victims.

In addition to state funding, this agency received federal funds from Housing and Urban Development's Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG). Of those funds, the Department of Community and Economic Development distributed \$109,000 to local domestic violence shelters.

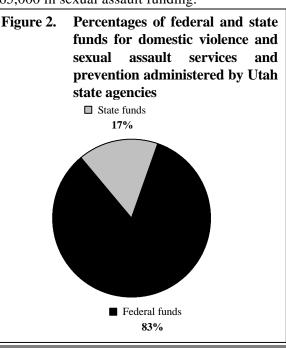
#### Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, Office of Crime Victim Reparations

The Office of Crime Victims Reparations distributed a total of \$378,000 in funding to combat violence against women. The federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) provided all funding, awarding this agency \$266,000 for domestic violence-related issues, and \$112,000 for sexual assault.

Funding recipients were local government criminal justice agencies, such as the police force and prosecutors, and member programs. Local government agencies received \$112,000 in domestic violence funds and \$47,000 in sexual assault funds. Likewise, local nonprofit/ nongovernmental agencies received \$154,000 for domestic violence and \$65,000 in sexual assault funding.

# Federal and State Funding Reported by Utah State Government Agencies

Figure 2 illustrates that the majority of government funding to fight violence against women in Utah came from federal funds. Two federal sources provide the monetary support to fight domestic violence and sexual assault: the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and the Housing and Urban Development Emergency Shelter funds. VOCA funds account for over three-quarters of federal funding. The single source of state funding was the \$98,000 derived from tax revenues, Utah's general fund, and proceeds from a tax form check-off. Exhibit 5 shows aggregate dollar amounts from state and federal sources.



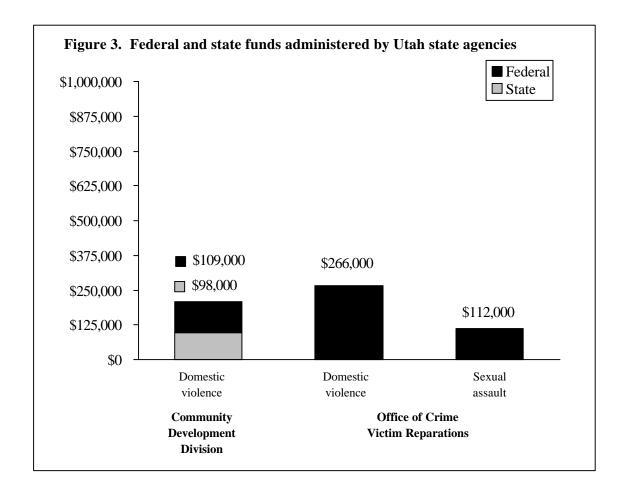
Fiscal year: July 1994 - June 1995

Exhibit 5.		and state funding ported by Utah
state	agencies	
Fe	ederal	\$486,000
S	tate	\$98,000
T	otal	\$584,000
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Funds from the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) was Utah's largest single sum of money for the purpose of preventing violence against women (see exhibit 6). All VOCA money was distributed by the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice. Other sources of government funds came from a federal Housing and Urban Development Emergency Shelter Grant and from state-generated tax revenues.

Exhibit 6. Sources of government funding reported by Utah state agencies		
Federal funds	<b>State funds</b>	
<ul> <li>Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) - \$378,000</li> <li>Housing and Urban Development Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)- \$108,000</li> </ul>	• Tax revenues/general fund - \$98,000	

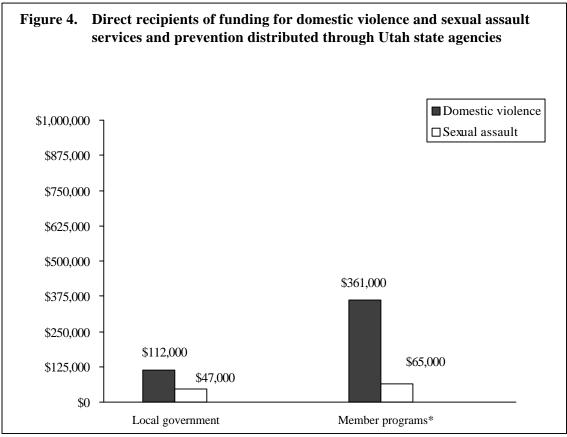
Figure 3 shows the majority of state-administered funding for domestic violence and sexual assault was designated for domestic violence prevention and programming and came from federal sources. State agencies distributed \$473,000 in funds specified for domestic violence, representing about 81 percent of the total funds to combat violence against women. In comparison, approximately 19 percent of the \$610,000 in state agency funding was set aside for sexual assault.



#### **Distribution of State-Administered Funds**

Local domestic violence programs received the greatest financial awards from state agencies. Contributions from the Department of Community and Economic Development (\$207,000) and the Office of Crime Victim Reparations (\$154,000) resulted in the distribution of \$361,000 to local domestic violence programs. The Office of Crime Victims Reparations also redistributed \$112,000 in domestic violence money to local government agencies.

The Office of Crime Victims Reparations was the only state agency to distribute sexual assault funds. The recipients were local sexual assault programs (\$65,000) and local government agencies (\$47,000).



\*Included are at least five local programs that are not members of the domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions.

## **Local Programs and Services Funded Through State Agencies**

The Office of Crime Victim Reparations funded 19 local domestic violence programs and 11 local sexual assault programs. The agency reported that 19 of these local programs were not members of either a statewide sexual assault or domestic violence coalition. Researchers were able to obtain survey information on five local, non-coalition programs -- one domestic violence program, one sexual assault program, and three dual programs. Exhibits 7 and 8 show the varied program coverage of these five organizations.

Two local programs indicated that they have developed program features to help them to meet the needs of Spanish speaking populations, Asians, and gays and lesbians.

The three dual programs could not break down their services into percentages devoted to domestic violence versus sexual assault. They were unable to do this because they serve all victims of crime, not just victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, and cannot separate the cases from one another.

Exhibit 7.	Number of local programs (N=5)
	offering various domestic violence services

Number of <u>programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
2	Independently run domestic violence hotline
0	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
1	Support group for women
3	Legal advocacy program
1	Medical advocacy program
0	Specific support program for sheltered children
0	Services for non-sheltered children
2	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
1	Education programs in colleges or universities
4	Community education/speakers bureau
4	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
0	Transitional/second-stage housing
0	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
1	Other services (assistance with protective orders, accompaniment to court)

Exhibit 8. Number of local programs (N=5) offering various sexual assault services

Number of <u>programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
1	Independently run sexual assault hotline
3	One-on-one counseling
1	Support group for adult women
1	Support group for teenage girls
1	Support group for male victims
1	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
1	Secondary support group for spouses/partners of victims
1	Secondary support group for parents of victims
4	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
3	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
3	Legal advocacy program
1	Medical advocacy program
2	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
1	Education programs in colleges or universities
3	Community education/speakers bureau
4	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
4	Technical assistance
0	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
1	Other services (24-hour crisis intervention and assistance)